

TABLE P.—MONEY LIABILITIES (AND BALANCES), DECEMBER, 1892.

Education Districts.	Liabilities for		Balances for		Totals.
	Buildings.	Other Purposes.	Buildings.	Other Purposes.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland .. .. .	8,679 4 2	5,964 17 8	.. .. .	5,041 15 1	19,685 16 11
Taranaki .. .. .	267 9 6	684 2 0	424 8 11	157 5 11	1,533 6 4
Wanganui .. .. .	1,679 16 0	1,034 9 8	.. .. .	.. .. .	2,714 5 8
Wellington .. .. .	1,991 4 1	3,915 0 0	.. .. .	.. .. .	5,906 4 1
Hawke's Bay .. .. .	1,819 0 0	750 0 0	.. .. .	1,651 2 8	4,220 2 8
Marlborough .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	398 4 6	571 3 5	969 7 11
Nelson .. .. .	504 5 0	1,493 15 2	628 17 10	1,099 5 8	3,726 3 8
Grey .. .. .	29 4 8	85 2 0	163 19 5	17 15 5	296 1 6
Westland .. .. .	190 5 6	65 19 0	469 16 0	.. .. .	726 0 6
North Canterbury .. .. .	2,676 8 4	6,222 3 5	.. .. .	840 17 9	9,739 9 6
South Canterbury .. .. .	.. .. .	1,319 17 7	.. .. .	1,640 8 2	2,960 5 9
Otago .. .. .	1,916 2 6	200 0 0	1,287 12 4	2,613 3 6	6,016 18 4
Southland .. .. .	731 13 7	574 12 8	667 15 11	3,584 15 2	5,558 17 4
Totals .. .. .	20,484 13 4	22,309 19 2	4,040 14 11	17,217 12 9	64,053 0 2

The Boards generally complain of the inadequacy of recent grants for school-buildings. Even in districts in which population is not rapidly increasing there is a constant shifting of population from the towns and older settlements to the interior. During 1892 the number of schools carried on in buildings not belonging to the Boards grew from 78 to 94, of schools without residences from 358 to 400, of schools with less than 8 square feet of floor-space for the unit of average attendance from 12 to 18, and of other schools with less than 10ft. from 48 to 59. On building accounts at the end of the year seven Boards had available balances amounting in all to £4,040 14s. 11d., while the remaining six had incurred liabilities to the extent of £10,376 4s. 10d. in excess of the balances of their building funds.

TABLE Q.—DEFICIENCY OF SCHOOL-BUILDINGS.

Education Districts.	Schools in Operation (omitting those with less than Ten Pupils each).	Schools not belonging to Boards.	Schools without Residences.	Schools with less than 10 sq. ft. for each Child (but not less than 8 sq. ft.).	Schools with less than 8 sq. ft. for each Child.	Available in 1893. (Tables O and P.)
						£ s. d.
Auckland .. .. .	285	37	129	9	2	[-3,540 12 11]
Taranaki .. .. .	45	4	14	2	1	424 8 11
Wanganui .. .. .	92	3	36	3	1	[-1,192 7 9]
Wellington .. .. .	87	9	42	9	4	[-1,991 14 9]
Hawke's Bay .. .. .	54	5	25	11	3	[-478 5 5]
Marlborough .. .. .	29	3	6	2	5	398 4 6
Nelson .. .. .	89	8	49	3	..	628 17 10
Grey .. .. .	18	1	10	1	1	163 19 5
Westland .. .. .	24	1	5	2	..	469 16 0
North Canterbury .. .. .	172	9	28	1	..	[-3,020 5 5]
South Canterbury .. .. .	59	3	20	..	..	[-152 18 7]
Otago .. .. .	194	3	5	6	..	1,287 12 4
Southland .. .. .	120	8	31	10	1	667 15 11
Totals.. .. .	1,268	94	400	59	18	4,040 14 11 [-10,376 4 10]

The school-buildings vote of 1892 was distributed as follows: Auckland, £5,350; Taranaki, £850; Wanganui, £2,150; Wellington, £3,300; Hawke's Bay, £1,750; Marlborough, £600; Nelson, £1,500; Grey, £750; Westland, £750; North Canterbury, £4,800; South Canterbury, £1,350; Otago, £4,800; Southland, £2,050.

Of scholarships granted by the Education Boards the number current at the end of 1892 was 260, and the expenditure on scholarship account during the year was £6,465 19s. 6d.